

SENATE BILL 3418

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68,  
Chapter 211, Part 8, relative to waste tires.

WHEREAS, Discarded tires are an ideal breeding ground for disease-transmitting mosquitoes; and

WHEREAS, Cases of West Nile virus have been found in Tennessee and persons have died from its pernicious effects; and

WHEREAS, Not only are abandoned tires unsightly but they pose a health hazard as well; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 211, Part 8, is amended by adding a new section thereto, as follows:

68-211-834. Any abandoned tire on the property of a truck stop, travel center or a diesel refueling station that is not removed within twenty-four (24) hours of being placed on such property is declared to be a public nuisance and is subject to a civil penalty of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500). Each day an abandoned tire is left on such properties shall be considered a separate offense. All civil penalties collected pursuant to this section, after deducting any expenses for collection of such penalties, shall be donated to established neighborhood associations in the vicinity of the truck stop, travel center or a diesel refueling station where such abandoned tires were found.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.